

SPIVENS MAKES STATEMENT

IN REGARD TO THE LETTERS IN "BILLBOARD."

Says He Didn't Know Winslow and Sylow Knew Anything of Shooting—If New Trial Is Granted, Has Important Witnesses Coming.

Geo. W. Spivens, the trainmaster of Cole Bros' circus, who is in jail here having been convicted of the killing of Ted Gaillard one year ago today, and whose case has been appealed to the Supreme Court, made the following statement to an item representative Friday night:

"In regard to the letters of Winslow and Sylow that appeared in the 'Billboard' a few days ago and which were copied in The Item, I would like to say that in as much as The Item article spoke of its being strange that these men, who claimed to know so much about the shooting, were not at the trial, I did not know until I saw their letters that they knew anything about this affair, no more than I knew, simply that a shot was fired and that it was reported later that a man had been killed. I am certain that if these men had known that I was to be arrested and convicted of this killing, that they would have been on hand at the trial to have testified for me.

"Mr. Harry Allen, manager of the show, told me here in the jail that if another trial were granted that several witnesses would be on hand to testify for the defense. He named Mike Griffin, ticket seller and assistant manager, Smith, a cornet player, his wife, a trapeze performer, and Bob Nicholson, the auditor of the circus. At the time the shooting is said to have occurred I was talking to Nicholson in the privilege car, but I do not know what the other parties know in regard to the affair.

"As to what Winslow and Sylow say about a negro doing the shooting, I can say that at Bishopville, the next morning, while unloading the show, a negro workman said to me, 'Captain, that fellow Campfire Bill is a guy.' I asked him why he thought so and he told me that the night before two white men were troubling him and threatened to hang him, throwing a rope around his neck, when he pulled out his gun and fired. This is all I know and have to say at present."

This case has attracted wide attention and the public generally is in sympathy with Spivens, therefore the above statement will be of interest and is given for justice's sake.

MARRIED FIFTY YEARS.

Capt. and Mrs. Corbett Reach Golden Wedding Anniversary.

Bishopville, Oct. 4.—Capt. Henry Dickson Corbett and his wife, Mrs. Mary Joannette Corbett, two of the oldest citizens of the town, passed the 50th anniversary of their wedding last Monday, they having been married at the Wilton Presbyterian Church, near the village of Adams Run, St. Paul's Parish, Colleton County, on the 30th day of September, A. D. 1857.

LODGE DODGES ISSUES.

Says Tariff and Canadian Reciprocity Have Nothing to Do With State Politics.

Boston, Mass., Oct. 5.—United States Senator Lodge, in an address as permanent chairman of the Republican State convention today, dismissed the tariff question as untimely and the question of Canadian reciprocity as unworthy of consideration. He asserted that both of these matters are national policies and had nothing to do with the election of State governor.

THE STANDARD HEARING.

Tarbell Tells of Some of the Ways in Which the Standard Did Business.

New York, Oct. 4.—In the Standard hearing today W. W. Tarbell, of Philadelphia, brother of Ida Tarbell, who first exposed the Standard's methods through her writing, testified as to the conditions of the oil business in Western Pennsylvania previous to 1890, and recounted the organization of various independent companies.

Tarbell is the treasurer of the Pure Oil Company and United States Pipe Line Company, independent companies. In 1894, he said the Standard cut prices for export oil until refineries along the independent United States pipe line had to sell oil at cost and less than cost. He said the pipe line carried it at a loss. Some of the refineries sold to the Standard, but others got together, organized the Pure Oil Company, sent agents abroad, and re-established the European market.

FULL RETURNS OF CROP.

1,569,977 Bales of Cotton Ginned to September 25—18,152 Gineries Reported.

Washington, Oct. 4.—Complete returns received by the census bureau show that 1,569,977 bales of cotton were ginned to September 25th. Active gineries reporting numbered 18,152.

WITH THE STATE PRESS.

What Other Editors Think and Say Concerning Various Subjects

Miss Beek, sent out by Secretary Taft to investigate the condition of Panama canal employees, reported that a "Coney Island" ought to be established for their amusement. There has been a very general impression that something was wanting down there, but until now, the exact nature of the need was in doubt.—Greenville Piedmont.

Of course, Candidate Bryan is not insistent for government ownership of railroads, but President Bryan would, in spite of himself, strive to achieve what he sincerely believes to be for the country's good. Government ownership would mean negro railroad conductors in the South.—News and Courier.

With the Secretary of State junking in Mexico, the secretary of war proclaiming himself the secretary of peace to the Japs and the president making Fourth of July speeches down the Mississippi river in October, there is no reason to fear that for the present at least the prosperity of the country, so patent on every side, may not continue. Why not extend a few leaves of absence until the country catches up?—Greenville Piedmont.

The wife of a farmer living near Huntington, W. Va., who was supposed to be dead and after friends had gathered at her funeral, rose up out of her coffin and put the whole funeral party to flight. It begins to look like Bryan is going to play the same role—he don't intend to remain politically dead.—Columbia Record.

In New Jersey there is a brownstone, gas lighted, steamheated penitentiary for sale, including its stock of 500 prisoners. It might be a good investment for some of our South Carolina mills owners, who seem to be in desperate need of more labor.—Columbia Record.

When the attorney general starts to sweep out the blind tigers from South Carolina with his new injunction broom, we suppose he will brush about the foothills of the Piedmont as well as the sand dunes of the seacoast. The denizens of the Dark Corner couldn't last a minute before a court process.—Charleston Post.

WORK OF NEGRO FIEND.

Posses in Illinois Hunting Wretch Who Attacked Woman and Burned Her Child.

Oquawka, Ills., Oct. 3.—Armed posses, aided by bloodhounds, are surrounding a large swamp in which it is believed there is hidden the negro tramp who attacked Mrs. John Hathway, a farmer's wife, because she refused to give him food. He tied her four-year-old boy to a tree and poured oil on him and set his clothing afire, causing the boy's death. It is the avowed intention of the posses to burn the negro at the stake. Mrs. Hathway is at the point of death.

DR. HENRY VAN DYKE MAKES STARTLING CLAIMS.

In Regard to His Inspiration in Writing His Great Work of "The Other Wise Man," Which Has Gained Him a Reputation.

New York, Oct. 5.—Laying aside the credit for the literary creation in the preface to his great "Story of the Other Wise Man," Dr. Henry Van Dyke makes a complete and specific claim to Divine inspiration in writing the book, more definite than that of any writer of the Bible except St. John the Divine.

In explaining the apocalyptic this startling preface, is adding new value to the work itself, which is in the new deluxe edition which has just appeared.

FOUGHT FOR WIFE'S HONOR.

Fierce Duel Waged in Nova Scotia On Account of Newspaper Article.

North Sydney, N. S., Oct. 1.—In defense of his own wife's honor, which he claimed had been impugned by a newspaper article, Dr. Framy, of St. Pierre, wounded M. Mazier, editor of The Review of this city, in a fiercely fought duel with swords.

Interesting Trial at Manning.

Manning, Oct. 3.—The trial of the case of Tindal and others against Sublett and others was not finished when court adjourned this evening. Four of the lawyers addressed the jury this afternoon. Mr. Davis and Mr. Haynsworth for the plaintiffs, and Mr. Purdy and Mr. DuRant for the defendants. Tomorrow morning Mr. Lee, for the plaintiffs, and Mr. Beltinger, for the defendants, will address the jury after which Judge Prince will deliver his charge. There were more ladies present in the court room this afternoon than at any time during the week.

The suit involves the title of a valuable tract of land near Summerton.—News and Courier.

LIQUOR RESORTS ENJOINED.

Injunctions Served in Charleston Are Likely to Be Made Permanent.

Columbia, Oct. 3.—No little interest was aroused when it was learned here tonight that four injunctions similar to the injunctions served on the proprietors of the Isle of Palms resort on September 13th were today served on other Charleston resorts as follows: The Charleston Hotel, including the New Charleston Hotel Company, Riddick & Byrns, proprietor, and Ernest Brown, an employee; the Argyle Hotel, including the Argyle Hotel Company, Riddick & Byrns, proprietors, and Ernest Gillman, an employee; a Market street restaurant conducted by Riddick & Byrns, Danny, Nixon, an employee, and J. F. Walsh, as owner of the premises; the Schuetzenplatz, owned by the German Rifle Club of Charleston and Minzenmaire an employee, who is named as the active keeper and manager of the resort.

The injunctions were obtained by Attorney General Lyon, who appeared before Associate Justice Eugene Gary, at Abbeville, on Monday and presented a petition similar to that on which the injunction against the Isle of Palms was granted, along with affidavits to show that the places named were resorts prohibited as "nuisances" by the present liquor law, in which liquor not analyzed and found to be pure is sold and in which persons are permitted to resort for the purpose of drinking alcoholic beverages.

As to the allegation that liquor in these resorts has not been analyzed in accordance with the law affidavits are presented from the members of the Charleston County board of control. In the case of the Schuetzenplatz affidavits are also presented from John Burton and Thomas Kelly, members of the rural police, who state that they raided the club rooms of this organization on July 3 and 11, and on the first occasion secured six bottles of beer and one bottle of whiskey, on the second secured ten bottles of beer and one of whiskey.

There are also affidavits from Dispensary Auditor West as to the allegations that the places named were used as resorts for the drinking of whiskey. There are other similar affidavits. Section 29 of the Carey-Cochran law is as follows: "All places where persons are permitted to resort for the purpose of drinking alcoholic liquors or beverages are hereby declared nuisances, and the keeper or manager of such places upon conviction shall be punished as provided in Section 1 of this Act." It is under this section that the proceedings are brought.

The injunctions served today are, of course, temporary, and the order is made returnable before the entire Supreme Court on the day that the court meets here in November in regular session. If the respondents follow the policy of the Isle of Palms respondents and decline to make any return or to either deny or admit the allegations the court will doubtless follow its decision of last Friday in the Isle of Palms case and make the injunctions permanent. Under those conditions if any one of the persons named in the injunctions violate the court's order he or they can be punished for contempt of court without being brought before a jury for trial.

Toad Centuries Old.

President Roosevelt having settled the question of the cross saddle in favor of the girl who prefers to ride her horse astride should now turn to the nautre fakirs. A miner in Australia, sinking a shaft preparatory to filling it with explosives, has just found a toad in a stratum of cement, while the case of another of these small animals, which was imbedded in limestone adjudged to be at least 6,000 years old, is cited in the same country. Similar instances are described by voracious quarrymen in America, and they should have Mr. Roosevelt's authoritative investigation. It is alleged, of course, that the toads made their homes there in the mud. As it hardened to stone they were imprisoned, and in their little chambers continued in a state of suspended animation until, coming to the air, life returned, and they began to hop about. No one has ever thought of casting doubt upon this nature story, which is as old as the business of mining and quarrying, but in this day of universal suspicion it needs the official stamp—Philadelphia Ledger.

At the State convention of the W. C. T. U. held in Newberry the following officers were elected: Mrs. Jos. Spratt, Manning, president; Mrs. A. G. Rice, Denmark, vice president; Mrs. Alice Thider, St. Matthews, corresponding secretary; Mrs. T. R. Denny, Johnston, recording secretary; Mrs. C. P. Robinson, Chapin, treasurer.

New Orleans, Oct. 4.—The dock and cotton council of New Orleans, whose membership is made up of all classes of laborers employed in connection with the shipping of the port, numbering about 12,000 men, voted this afternoon for a general strike.

SOUTH CAROLINA NEWS.

Items of Interest Condensed and Paraphrased for Quick Reading.

Winthrop College will make an exhibit at the State fair.

Converse College opens with an attendance from thirteen States.

Farnt Covert, colored, was accidentally shot in the stomach by W. T. Dryan, a young white man, at Sellers, S. C. Covert may die.

Charley Bast, of Rock Hill, was bitten by a snake known as the "pilot."

The Medical College of South Carolina commenced its seventy-ninth session Tuesday.

Albert Phillips, of Lancaster county, died suddenly in Tennessee, where he had recently moved.

The prosecution in the Fallaw case at Alken made good headway Wednesday and examined a large number of witnesses.

Russell W. Tompkins, of Richmond, Va., has been arrested in Florence on the charge of embezzlement.

Rev. W. E. Thayer, of Winchester, Va., has been called to the pastorate of the Baptist Church at Laurens.

A passenger train on the Carolina & Northwestern road was rocked at Chester from both sides of the track.

Mark Taylor, a young white man of Columbia, fired at George Brewerton. Taylor was arrested by the police.

Mrs. Amanda Ballou, of Greenville county, has filed suit for damages in the sum of \$2,000 against Thomas Ballou for alleged slander.

Col. John M. Ward died at his home in Charleston. He was a Confederate veteran.

A. J. Kennedy, a well known business man of Charleston, is dead at his home in that city.

Gov. Ansel will deliver an address in Chester October 16, the occasion being Confederate rally day.

Derrell Jenkins surrendered to the sheriff of Berkeley county, claiming that he killed a man at Strawberry.

Senator B. R. Tillman will speak in Orangeburg on the race question during the latter part of November.

Annie Davis, a white woman, fell from a second-story porch at her home in Columbia and was seriously injured.

J. A. Brock, of Anderson, may be elected president of the Anderson Cotton Mill and the Brogan Mill, succeeding R. E. Ligon.

Henry Hyatt died at Dillon Wednesday from having his arm mangled in a cotton gin.

The Clio Herald made its appearance today. Mr. E. Bourquin is the editor.

The capital stock of the Bank of Clio has been increased from \$25,000 to \$50,000.

The Fallaw brothers and Isaac Taylor were acquitted of the murder of George Mabus by an Alken jury Friday.

The ginny plant of the People's Oil Mill at Anderson was destroyed by fire Friday. This was the largest ginny east of the Mississippi River.

John Davidson charged with running a gambling house in Spartanburg and who was arrested in Salisbury, N. C., has given bond in the sum of \$500.

Rev. H. W. Cooper, of Salley, dropped dead on the streets of that town on Tuesday morning. His death was due to heart trouble.

The Presbyterian Synod of South Carolina meets in Anderson on October 29.

Coroner Walker of Richland county, has had his name forged to an order for cocaine in Columbia, and prosecutions may follow.

There are 100,000 men in this State available for military duty, according to the adjutant general of the army.

The chief of police of Bamberg was tried for drunkenness and fined on Monday afternoon. He was kept on the force on trial.

Greenville's police commission has made nearly a clean sweep in the police force of that city. Chief Gunnells has been replaced by Sergeant Alton.

An addition is being built to the Richland county Court House.

The Carolina Telephone Company has been organized at Anderson with a capital stock of \$25,000.

The monument on King's Mountain will probably be completed within a year's time.

VACATIONS FOR POSTMASTERS.

Those in This State to Be Allowed to Attend Convention.

Washington, Oct. 4.—The following orders were issued by the postoffice department today: Postmasters in the State of South Carolina are hereby granted leave of absence for as many days not exceeding five as may be necessary to enable them to attend the annual convention of the South Carolina Association of Postmasters, to be held at Columbia, October 30 and 31, 1907.

COMING TO SPARTANBURG.

Mr. Bryan to Speak Under Auspices of Wofford College Lyceum—Invitation From the Y. M. C. A.

Spartanburg, Oct. 4.—It developed here today after the announcement appearing in the morning paper to the effect that W. J. Bryan would be invited to speak here the first week in November that the great Nebraskan has already accepted an invitation to address the Wofford Lyceum here on Oct. 18. For some reason no announcement had been made of this and hence the fair directors issued their urgent invitation for November.

It is said that the Y. M. C. A. has also extended Mr. Bryan an invitation to speak under its auspices this fall.—The State.

GREAT SCHEME TO SEIZE BRAZILIAN GOVERNMENT.

Five Hundred American Soldiers of Fortune To Leave New York With Sebastian De Magall On Hazardous Expedition.

New York, Oct. 1.—With five hundred young American soldiers of fortune, Sebastian H. L. DeMagall, expects to sail out of New York harbor, well equipped and armed, for the purpose of seizing and saving the government of Brazil, which it is asserted today is now in a state of chaos.

In answer to an advertisement for young men "willing to enlist in a hazardous service in a foreign country," he has received two thousand replies. Each man he accepts must have \$150 and pay for his own accoutrements.

The filibustering expedition expects to land at a secret point in the province of Minas Geraes, capture that State, and then move on to the central government.

TAFT ARRIVES IN NAGASAKI.

Will Be There Only a Short Time and Will Leave For Manila.

Nagasaki, Japan, Oct. 5.—The steamship Minnesota with Secretary Taft and party aboard, arrived early today. Their stay here will be short, the party going next to Manila.

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The County Treasurer's office in Court House building will be open for the collection of taxes without penalty, from the 15th day of October to the 31st December, 1907.

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For State, 4 1-2 mills.
For County Ordinary, 2 3-4 mills.
For Sinking Fund Loan, 1 mill.
For Constitutional School, 3 mills.
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School District No. 13, 3 mills.
School District No. 14, 3 mills.
School District No. 16, 2 mills.
School District No. 17, 3 mills.
School District No. 18, 2 mills.

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